

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 820

By Floyd

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Anna Carroll as a 2014 Young Woman of Distinction.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those young people who, through their extraordinary efforts, have distinguished themselves as outstanding citizens of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy public servant is Anna Carroll, a young woman who has been selected to receive the American Lung Association of Tennessee's 2014 Young Woman of Distinction Award; and

WHEREAS, recipients of this coveted award are young women of the Chattanooga community who evidence a great spirit of volunteerism by working with honor, integrity, enthusiasm, generosity, and compassion to improve the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, a young lady who adheres to the highest ideals of community service, Anna embodies "a broad range of abilities" and exemplifies "everything a compassionate and insightful individual should be"; and

WHEREAS, a senior at Girls Preparatory School (GPS), Anna Carroll is a devoted scholar, a National Merit finalist, and the captain of the Math Team; she is the recipient of the prestigious Grace McCallie Scholarship for a rising senior with the highest GPA and will graduate from GPS having completed ten Advanced Placement courses; and

WHEREAS, Anna is also a gifted athlete who participates in soccer, cross country, diving, and volleyball at GPS, and she won an all-round state championship in gymnastics; and

WHEREAS, Anna has served as president of the GPS/McCallie Candlelight Chorus and as an editor of the school yearbook, and she is a member of the National Honor Society, JETS

engineering club, and Science Olympiad, for which she was a major participant on two first-place teams; and

WHEREAS, after her mother's untimely death in 2012, Anna, with the help of her father, founded the Corina Field Carroll Fund, a non-profit organization that seeks to strengthen protection for children in Tennessee; the organization raises funds to provide counseling through the Children's Advocacy Center for families victimized by child abuse; and

WHEREAS, chairman of the board of the Fund, Anna also serves as its chief researcher, diplomat, public speaker, and decision-maker; to date, the project has raised \$25,000 and is funding a new initiative offering continuing education on the topic of child abuse to Erlanger Hospital medical residents; and

WHEREAS, possessing an impeccable work ethic, solid character, and innate leadership skills, Anna Carroll is an outstanding young Tennessean who works with purpose and commitment to make her community and its citizens the very best they can be, and she is fully deserving of the accolades of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby congratulate Anna Carroll on being honored as a 2014 Young Woman of Distinction by the American Lung Association of Tennessee and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success in every future endeavor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.